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RAPID INFORMATION TRANSMISSION METHOD

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Methods and apparatus are described for transmitting information via a transmission medium. First information represented according to a first number system of a first order is received. The first information is converted to second information, the second information being represented according to a second number system of a second order, the second order being greater than the first order. The second information is then represented using a first number of unique signal characteristics, the first number corresponding to the second order. The second information is then transmitted via the transmission medium.

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